

RESOLUTION #2361

SUBJECT: Authorize the VRE CEO to Execute a One-Year Extension of the Existing

Amended and Restated Operating/Access Agreement with CSX Transportation

WHEREAS: The Commissions currently have an Amended and Restated Operating/Access

Agreement with CSX Transportation (CSXT) relating to VRE operations in the Fredericksburg to Washington corridor, with the agreement ending on June 30,

2018;

WHEREAS: VRE staff is currently engaged in ongoing discussions with CSXT concerning a

new agreement and does not anticipate conclusion of these discussions prior to the expiration of the Amended and Restated Operating/Access Agreement on

June 30, 2018;

WHEREAS: The purpose of this extension is to allow time to identify and negotiate additional

capacity improvement projects in the corridor;

WHEREAS: Necessary funding has been incorporated into the FY2019 VRE budget to allow

VRE to continue its operations over CSXT tracks via this extension; and

WHEREAS: The VRE Operations Board recommends the following action.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Northern Virginia Transportation Commission

hereby authorizes the VRE Chief Executive Officer to execute a one-year extension of the existing Amended and Restated Operating/Access Agreement

with CSX Transportation through June 30, 2019.

Approved this 7th day of June 2018.

Paul C. Smedberg

Chairman

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